A SCOTCH TRADITION.

MERCILESS WARFARE OF ONE OF THE OLD COTTISH CLANS.

A Terrible Story of the Frightfel Destruction of a Whole Race, the Inhabitants of One Island-Even Today the spot is

A friend of mine made a prolonged tour of Scotland last year to indulge in his favorite pastime-fishing-of which there is none better in the whole world than among the highlands and contiguons islands of that country. He brought south-fried chicken. back with him a vast storehouse of the strange tales of the primitive people among whom he rojourned, for heavoided the usual lines of travel, confining his wanderings to the remote villages Dickens' "Great Expectations," had been and out of the way places which the ordinary tourist never visits. He lived for called it Tommy, and were very fond of present mode of making shot, had his months with the peasant and fisherman class, with whom, ingratiating himself into their good graces, he learned much of the traditions current in the region, which have only been kept alive by being handed down from father to son through the generations.

At one time residing with a simple fisherman on one of the Hebrides, that group made famous by the celebrated told a strange story pertaining to a cave | chicken with contemplative joy. on one of the islands, which he afterward visited with his bost, making the weird tradition doubly interesting. It

the more civilized than the North Amer- bit conveyed it to his mouth. ican Indians when Columbus gave a At this there was a sudden and heart new world to Sprin. Both class lived breaking howl from one of the little cidedly preferring this mode of life to an up our Tommy!" honest endeavor of raising anything for arrows, their rude claymores and ruder | upon him, my friend joined. dirks. Ignorant, cruel and vindictive, a hatred unknown but to dense igno- around. rance; they hated simply because their names differed, because they had been life, but he was baried under a big apple

meant feuds between races. One of these two contending claus lived on one of the little islands of the Hebridean group, a barren, rocky, deso-late spot, surrounded only by the eternal The whole island appeared to have been and moved slowly about the room at a well; traversed every glen and every tator, in conversation afterward with western Illinois," said Harvey Good ravine and wondered where their invet- M. Babbinet, of the Academic des enough, a Hawkeye pioneer, at the Laravine and wondered where their inveterate enemies had gone. Failing in the Sciences, said it looked like a good sized erate enemies had gone. Failing in the bitter rolled up into a ball and moving rying things with a high hand in west window with a baby in her arms. Her planet Venus appears to a distant obthey prepared to leave. They took up they converted a young their cars, but hardly had they cleared to leave. They took up their cars, but hardly had they cleared and shining, yet he felt no sensation of woman, a member of Elder Simpson's wind went through it as through a steep. apparently extraordinary vision, spied a the contact figure in the uncertain light of a win-

landers exultingly followed he trail of | broke through."-Chambers' Journal. the enemy, and they soon tracked him to the hiding place of his people, a curious cavern, its entrance through the shruba, a place easily missed by any one and a few of the old men, the main poroff on an excursion-a marauding one of course-to the neighboring islands.

With shouts of triumph and exulting invaders they collected seaweed, driftlie alone passed-and in a short time gathered was set on fire, the scorching heat from which and the dense smoke rolled in upon the unfortunate occu pants of the cavern, when suddenly there arose a wail of agony. Over the crackling and roaring of the huge fire the dying wretches attempted to get out, only to be killed at the mouth of the flerce hell or thrust back with pikes into the acorching flames. At last all sounds coased-the blaze souk and died away completely; the fiends had done their work; not a living creature remained within the almost red hot cavern. The clan had been extinguisheda clan less in the highlands of Scotia. The triumphant murderers took to their honts and sailed away again, leaving their dead unburied as they lay.

They never were buried through all the long years. The little island where such atrocities were committed was accursed-haunted by spirits of those who had not their horrible fate there, It was also claimed by the fishermen of the other islands that whenever th y happened to pass that way in the night low wailings were distinctly heard. sharp, piercing shrieks, and that ghastly akeletons were seen walking on the beach, and the place was avoided as a pest hole. After many generations these superatitions notions died out. Now the talan I is ininabited again, but the dread ful legend sticks to it, and it is said that many a buman bone is dug up by the small gardeners.-St. Louis Post-Dis-

It Was Not Slaug-

A contentious church member in a western town recently attempted to have his paster disciplined for using the slang phrase "not in it" in the pulpit, but the bottom dropped out of his charge when the clergyman produced the manuscript of his sermon and read this sentence from it, "In a word, my Christian hearers, the ark was a ministure world; there was no form of life that was not in it." -New York Tribune.

The guests at a hotel in Ohio presented one of the waltresses with a pair of roller | back,

THE DEATH OF TOMMY.

Virgin's Hospitality Could Not Re Dis reparded Too Lightly. The south has always been known for trembly like. Then I went back an its hospitality, and nowhere has this quality been more religiously maintained than in Virginia. Unfortunately

seartedness has never altered. Some years ago a friend of mine traveling in the lower portion of that state

very early age, and, like Pip in Charles brought up by hand. The children it, while Tommy in turn was attached to the children.

The matter was a very serious one, and a family consultation was held. Virginia hospitality could not be lightly poor Tommy must become the sacrifice.

My friend of course knew nothing of the tragedy that was being enacted for his comfort, and when tea was served tour of Dr. Johnson and Boswell, he was regarded the plate of nicely browned

Soon, however, he became aware that something was nmiss. An air of silent sorrow pervaded the little family group usually so gay, and the children took More than three centuries ago there nothing on their plates. The chicken risted two clans between which there was passed, but with the exception of ad waged the most bitter and relent- my friend no one partook. Selecting a less warfare for generations. Of course juicy looking drumstick, he fixed it the people of both factions were but lit | with his fork, and cutting off a choice

by steeling from their neighbors, de- boys, "Oh, mamma, mamma, he's eating

Thereupon the other children mingled themselves. Their tenure of the dark their voices in a wild wailing, and the glens which they claimed was held by older members burst into uncontrollable the prowess of their primitive bows and laughter in which, as the truth dawned Then there came explanations, more

the several class hated each other with laughter and tears, and adjustments all Poor Tommy could not be restored to

taught that differences between names | tree with appropriate ceremonies.—Albert B. Paine in Harper's Young People.

A Ball of Fire Makes a Visit.

A very singular story is told concerning the vagaries of one mass of globe surf. One mild winter day came the lightning. A tailor in the Rue St. boats of their hated enemy. The inten- Jacques, in the neighborhood of the Val tion of the invaders was of course to de Grace, was getting his dinner one kill, plunder and destroy. They did day during a thunderstorm when he plunder and burn the huts they found heard a loud clap, and soon the chimney on the shore, but not a human being board fell down, and a globe of fire as was found that they could massacre. big as a child's head came out quietly abandoned. The invaders ransacked it small heigh, above the floor. The specthe little creek by which they had en- heat. The globe came near his feet, but flock. A few months spent at Nauvoc The baby had a weolen frock and a tered from the sea when a man, with an by moving them gently aside he avoided

After trying several excursions in difter's dawn cautiously moving over the ferent directions it rose vertically to the faithfully, but without overcoming her ing little fingers into her eyes, height of his head-which he threw unbelief. Before her bedroom window A short announced the discovery, and the islander disappeared. But the secret steered toward a hole in the chimney that she was going to pray the Lord for that she was going to pray the Lord for were women's woolen petticoats and all the islander disappeared. But the secret land of the secret land been betrayed. The inhabitants had hidden themselves, not deserted. In half an hour their assailants had re
steered toward a hole in the chimney above the mantelpiece, and made its a sign—that she would ask him if he kinds of heavy cotton underelothing, which looked warm and comfortable. But the secret wither assailants had re
"when he supposed it had had time to causing the great oak tree to wither, as the secret wither, as the secret toward a hole in the chimney above the mantelpiece, and made its assign—that she would ask him if he kinds of heavy cotton underelothing, which looked warm and comfortable. But the secret is steered toward a hole in the chimney above the mantelpiece, and made its causing the great oak tree to wither, as the secret toward a hole in the chimney above the mantelpiece, and made its causing the great oak tree to wither, as the secret toward a hole in the chimney above the mantelpiece, and made its causing the great oak tree to wither, as the secret toward a hole in the chimney above the mantelpiece, and made its causing the great oak tree to wither, as the secret toward a hole in the chimney above the mantelpiece, and made its causing the great oak tree to wither, as the secret toward a hole in the chimney above the mantelpiece, and made its causing the great oak tree to wither, as the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the chimney are the secret toward a hole in the landed and set themselves with awak- reach the top," the failor said-there ened hope to the search. Snow had was a dreadful explosion, which defallen during the night, and the foot- streyed the upper part of the chimney steps of the impredent islander betrayed and threw the fragments on to the roofs the whereabouts of his clan. The high- of some adjoining buildings, which they

A Theory About Man's Beard.

There is a theory favored by the discimazes of rock, overgrown with thick plea of Darwin that the beard is merely the survival of a primitive decoration. not familiar with the locality. In this Man, according to this view, was origcave were gathered all the families of inally as hairy as the opossum itself, but the tribe, the women and little children as be rolled down the ages he wore the hair off in patches by sleeping on his tion of the young warriors having gone sides and sitting against a tree. Of course the hair of the dog is not worn off at once re-entered the church and de in this way, but a great theory is not to voted her life to missionary work, spendin this way, but a great theory is not to be set uside by an objection so trifling. wrath comparable to the cruel mature of By and by our ancestors "awoke to the consciousness that they were patchy and wood and the dried heath, in which the spotty," and resolving to "live down" rocks abounded, and piled around the all hair that was not ornamental they one entrance to the cavern, its immates. with remarkable unanimity seem to now cogminant of what their enemies have fixed on the eyebrows, the murwere doing, maintaining the ellence of tache and-unfortunately, as the self despair. A few words of muttered Gae | scrapers mostly think-the beard as being all that was worth preserving of the the material which the savages had primitive covering.-English Illustrated Magazine.

Snap Shots at Royalty.

King George is to Aix what the Prince of Wales is to Homberg. He is remarkable for extreme assurance, tempered with reserve, and wears his hat slightly on the side of his head as he strides along the streets, looking straight at people as if to invite them to get out of his way. He is an habitue of the casino and the car rooms. On alighting from his carriage yesterday a number of photographers an up to take snap shots at

Seeing th's the king good naturedly stopped and "stood are," turning his face loward them. Ou returning to his carriage when the visit was over he did the same, saying aloud when he thought they ought to have done, "Ca y est" (It's all right, is it not? - a remark that elicited great laughter.-London News.

The Runter Hunted. An old huntsman was returning one evening from a neighbor's when he heard a flock of wild turkeys in a clump of pines. They were going to roost, and he at once resolved to be on hand in the morning and shoot some of them. How he succeeded is best told in his own lan-

"The next mornin afore daybreak," says the hunter, "I was on the ground. I hid in an openin between some large bowlders that closed a space on three sides but was open at the top, where a man could stand comfortable thout bein

"I set down at the mouth o' the openin, had my gun on the ground an listened till toward daybreak I heard the turkeys fly down from the roost. I called to 'em two or three times in a way I know. With the second call come answers, an I heard the turkeys comin

on the run. "I was gittin my gun ready when I heard a queer noise like some animal pantin behind me. I turned my head and saw the biggest kind of a wildcat, with mouth wide open an eyes like two full moons, just ready to jump on my

skates in hopes of being waited on more throwed my arms over my bead an give him a political office. -- Good News.

a yell that would have scared a grazzy; "The cut went one way an I went another. I got out o' my hidin place in a hurry, an stood a few minutes feelin

feelin like a sheep killin slog. the war made sad havor with the Vir. for breakfast, an expectin to get the ginian's resources, but his old time open | pick o' the tarkeys when he see me. I

min't ashamed to own I was finstrated. stopped for a few hours with old ac- bit me. But I laid for that wildcat till quaintances and remained for tea. An I got him; leastways I took it for him, occasion of this kind in Virginia calls although I own I didn't stop long enough sons. When the daughter was eleven those who can secure wine. invariably for the favorite dish of the that first sight o' the creeter to examine years old her father sent bor to America It is possible that some particular

The Result of a Dream. Before Watts, the discoverer of the notable dream, induced by overindul- gan, gence in stimulants, the manufacture in question was a slow, laborious and consequently coatly process. Great bars of lead had to be pounded into sheets of disregarded, and it was decided that of the shorts desired. These sheets had then to be cut into little cubes, placed in a revolving barrel, and there rolled until, by the constant friction, the edges wore off from the little cubes and they became spheroids.

Watts had often racked his brain try ing to discover some better and less costly scheme, but in vain. Finally, after spending an evening with some boon companions at an alchouse, he went home, went to bed and soon feli asleep. His slumbers, however, were disturbed by unwelcome dreams, in one of which he was out with "the boys," and as they were stumbling home it began to rain shot-beautiful globules of polished, shining lead—in such numbers that he and his companions had to seek

In the morning Watts remembered his curious dream and it obtruded itself on his mind all day. He began to wonder what shape molten lead would assume in falling through the air, and finally to set his mind at rest, he ascende to the top of the steeple of the churc of St. Mary at Radeliffe and droppe slowly and regularly a ladleful molten lead into the most below. Descending, he took from the bottom of the shallow pool several handfuls of the most perfect shot he had ever seen. Watt's fortune was made, for from this exploit emanated the idea of the shot tower, which ever since has been the only means employed in the manufac-ture of the little missiles so important in war and sport.-Boston Commonwealth.

A Sign from Heaven.

"A queer story was related to me many years ago by Rev. William Simpson, then one of the leading lights of the Methodist church in eastern Iowa and sufficed to disenchant her, and she returned home a confirmed skeptic. The church people labored with her long and

talk of the town, and many visited the them .- New York Times. tree and carefully examined it. It was perfectly sound, full of sap and covered with a profusion of bright green leaves. At sunset every leaf was as brown and withered as in the depths of winter. The elder stated that with a party of men be cut the tree down and dug up the stump. and that it was dead from the topmast branch to the smallest root. The young woman's prayer had been answered. She

Platinum Mines of Russia.

-St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The platinum beds of the Ural moun utaries higher up.

mountains there is another platinum land and water exist on Mars at all, and bed near the river Ontka, a tributary of gives good reasons for deciding that the the Tchonssova, and the basins of the planet is in a heated state-as we sup-Ural river. The platinum found in fessor E. S. Holden in Forum. these places is in the form of grains, in sand frequently containing gold. The weight of these grains is from seventoes to twenty-one grams to every 1,640 kilo grams of sand. - Exchange.

The Blized Bace of India-Eurasia has no boundaries. It lies, s varying social fact, all over India, thick in the great cities, thickest in Calcutta where the conditions of climate and bread winning are most suitable, and where moreover, Eurasian charities are most numerous. Wherever Europeans have come and gone these people have sprung up in weedy testimony of them-thest people who do not go, who have received somewhat in the feeble inheritance of their blood that makes it possible for them to live and die in India. Nothing will ever exterminate Eurasia; it clings to the sun and the soil, and is marvel. ously propagative within its borders .-Sara J. Duneau in Popular Science

Familiarity Breeds Contempt. Judge Duffy-How dare you come into court so? Take your hat off! Tramp-But, judge, you know I'm not a stranger here. - Texas Siftings.

Englis Cured. Father-My son scoms to be about as smart as other young men, but he no sooner gets settled in a position than he tires of it and resigns. He lacks staying powers.

Friend-Ch, that's easily cured. Get

AFTER FIFTY YEARS.

man's Cuance Receipt of Tidings of Mer Els In Kamebatha. picked up my gun an started for home, Tolman salled on a whaling ship bound ment and much more comparing of for the northern seas. The ship was dis- notes. That to eat bananas and drink "You see, the wildcat was out lookin abled and put into Kamchatka for re- wine immediately afterward is to court pairs. Mr. Tolman was a master me- certain death, as was stated by a gentlechanie, and so well pleased were the man of some experience, is not correct, "Did I get any tarkeys? No; I couldn't the disabled ship that the authorities of from poison before this, and the inhabitahave shot a turkey if one had run up an the place induced him to stay. A few ants of the West Indian islands would years after he married a Russian girl, have been decimated time and again, by whom he had a daughter and two for the combination is common among

south—fried chicken.

Alas! there was but one young chicken on the place, and that one a pet. It had been left an orphan by its mother at a Forest and Stream.

It is possible that some particular on a whaler in charge of the captain. The ship put into the port of New London, Conn., and the captain sent word to the girl's relatives in western New suggestion. however, that bananas are

The girl grew to womanhood, married an Episcopal clergyman named Dunn, and settled down in Lawrence, Kan. For fifty years Mrs. Dunn never heard a word from her parents in faraway Kaurchatka. One day about a year ago she chanced to speak to a Russian in the streets of Lawrence, and was surprised when the subject of the czar said he once knew William Tolman, her father, and two brothers. He said that Mr. Tolman was dead, but that the sons were alive, but very poor. One of them, he told her, was a trapper.

The Russian gave Mrs. Dunn their address and she wrote to them, sending them clothing and many useful presents. In due time she got a letter from one brother, the first for over fifty years. The letter was passed around among the relatives. Yesterday W. T. Hess, of this city, got a letter, written in Russian, from one of the Tolman brothers | in Kamehatka. Not being a Russian some one to translate it. He espied a street fakir, and he saked him if he could read the letter. The fakir looked at it and replied, "Yes, sir; it is Rus sian and from Kamchatka." He trans

lated the letter for Mr. Hess. thing," said Mr. Hess. "Mrs. Dunn or displaced for the time being, as the learned of her relatives through a Rus- case may be, and an entire Texas cotsian on the street in Lawrence, Kan., tontail rabbit can be persuaded to enter, and I had one of her brother's letters bead and all, with little effort, and the translated by a Russian found on the body being made of india rubberlike street in Grand Rapids. The William material and very stretchable the kick-Tolman who sailed on the whaler was ing little animal soon finds a lodgment my uncle, for whom I was named. Fun- in the stomach. His snakeship then ny how we get news from relatives carefully resets his jaws so that his sometimes," continued Mr. Hess. — mouth assumes its normal size and Grand Rapids Democrat.

except a fur one. Away up town on chicken snake and does not call for a one of the western avenues where cheap six hour layoff in feeding time.-Port wind went through it as through a sieve. than does Mars. worsted cont and cap, and seemed to be warm enough as he burrowed upon the woman's shoulder and dug his sprawl-

In the shop window were displayed Christ is said to have blasted the un she was looking on the other side of the fruitful fig tree. She was to prefer her window, where were shown little knitted request for a 'sign' upon which to ground hoods and tippets of white, flossy stuff. her faith at 10 o'clock Sunday morning. and babies' mittens and babies' shors "Her resolution at once became the and habies" ancy caps, with ribbons in

Large Electric Locomotives. The most powerful electric locomo tives yet used are two of the London Underground railway. Each locome tive, according to a description of Mr. Alexander Siemens, carries two motors. and the use of all gearing is obviated by winding the armatures of the motors on the axles of the locomotive wheels Tests of the four motors before they were fitted to their places gave from ing several years in China and Japan.' forty to fifty horsepower each for three DR. CHAS. E. WALKER. of them-t s other being much more powerful-and efficiencies of about 90 to

94 per cent. Each locomotive fully equipped weighs tsins are the only ones in the world is 1315 tons, and its unloaded train weigh. which this metal is found in grains twenty-one tons, a full load being ninety Platinum is found in Brazil and in the six passengers, The average power of Cordilleras in the hard serpentine rocks, but never in the form of grains. The not more than fifty amperes, although platinum beds of the Ural mountains are found in various districts—in the north at Besserski, in the government of

Perm, in the district of Knotourski and M. Flammarion, the French astronoin the state properties of Goroblagodat mer, regards it as very probable that the ski, where sixty-six mining concessions dark areas of Mars are water and the have been granted. All the beds of the bright ones land. Professor Schaeberle's northern region are situated in the basin observations with the greatest teleof the river Touri, in that of the tribus scope in the world (the Lick) under the tary stream of Taghil and in other trib | best possible conditions, lead him to pre-Ciscly opposite conclusions. Mr. Brett On the western declivity of the Ural (the English artist astronomer) doubts if digher tributaries of the Outka, near the pose Jupiter to be, for example.-Pro-

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York, who came to New London by injurious in connection with anything team and took her to their home. After- is rather a novel one to me, because ward she, with relatives, came to Michi- there are few fruits which will preserve life and health like the banana. When properly ripened the fruit is at once deous and nutritious,-St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Few Men Die of Overwork.

Dr. Pye Smith holds that there is no fear of the ordinary man using his brains too much for health, and he does not believe that mental labor or honest work of any kind interferes with health tends to the injury of brain workers more than any other cause.

Many active brain workers have suddenly broken down and funcied that it matter of fact, it was due to over stuffing their stomachs. The furnace connection with mental machinery became clogged up with ashes and carbon in various shapes and forms, and as a result disease came, and before the case was fully appreciated a demoralized condition of the nervous system was man scholar he went out of his store to find ifested and the prosale cause for the collapse was suppressed under the cuphemistic "mental overwork,"-Pittsburg Dispatch. Swallowing Abilities of Snakes.

The jaws of the chicken snake are "Here is the funny part of the whole hung on hinges that can be taken spart blissfully roposes for the succeeding six hours. The powerful gastric juice does the balance, and no Texan can testify MAKING It was one of the days when the wind that he ever heard of a chicken snake blows suddenly and sharply around the suffering from indigestion or chronic corners, when the dust whirls in clouds and the air has a hard, cold dampness of chickens, song birds, turkey eggs and which goes straight through any coat rats constitute simple pastime to the



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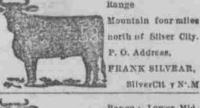
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